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Applicant: Carson, *et al.* Art Unit: 1645  
Application No.: 09/616,247 Examiner: Minnifield, N.  
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Title: VACCINE COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS USEFUL IN  
INDUCING IMMUNE PROTECTION AGAINST  
ARTHRITOGENIC PEPTIDES INVOLVED IN THE  
PATHOGENESIS OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please consider the following amendments and remarks:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

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